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FROM -

THE SECRETARY TO THE HON'BLE THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

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To

The Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore.

Dated Bangalore, the 4 · 2 · 1942

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Compensation to be paid for articles requisitioned under Rule 83 of the Defence of India Rules.

SIR,

I am directed to enclose for information a copy of an office memorandum from the Government of India, Defence Co-ordination Department, No.209-OR/39 dated the 15th January 1942, with enclosure.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT.

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Copy of an Office Memorandum No.209-OR/39, dated the 15th January 1942, from the Government of India, Defence Co-ordination Department, to-all Departments of the Government of India (except Legislative Assembly Department); Political Department.

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2. The question of what these principles should be has recently been examined, and the conclusions reached, which are shown in the attached note, have been accepted by the Finance Department and approved by His Excellency the Governor General. The undersigned is accordingly to request that these principles should be followed by all Departments who make use of rule 83, and should be communicated by them for guidance to all officers under their control who may be concerned.

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(i) the price which it was reasonable for the owner to pay when he acquired the goods, plus a reasonable profit thereon if he acquired the goods for sale; or

(ii) the reasonable cost to the owner of producing the goods at the time when he produced them, plus a reasonable profit thereon if he produced them for sale.

The requisitioning authority will, in determining what price it was reasonable for the owner to pay, take into account the normal nature and requirements of the owner's business. In the case of articles held for purely speculative purposes a strict standard should be applied.

3. In exceptional cases (not in respect of goods held for sale) where physical replacement of the requisitioning goods is really necessary to enable the owner to carry on his business and actually takes place, replacement cost may, under the special orders of Government, be given. Each case will have to be examined on its merits and no general principles can be laid down in advance.

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Memo No.1361-71/G. Dated, Bangalore, the 13th February 1942.

Copy of the above is forwarded with compliments to the Deputy Commissioners of Districts, for information and guidance.

for Chief Secretary to Government.